Quaker Hill Octo.r 3.d 1778

Dear General

I was honored with your Excellency's favor of yesterday, date, the laſt evening. — I immediately gave orders that a party from each Brigade in my Diviſion ſhould this morning be marched to repair the roads as mentioned in your letter — and to prevent their interfering one with the other & with the party which ſhould be ordered by General McDougal I have aſsigned to each of mine, its diſtrict and have given the General notice of it. —

I have ſent a Major to ſuperintend the whole & have ordered on tools & proviſions

Part of my letter of yeſterday will be an anſwer to the next paragraph of yours. —

I am happy to hear that the Packet is arrived and hope that your Excellency will now be able to penetrate the designs of the enemy & that you will be relieved from that painfull suspence in which you have been involved for some time past.

I have the honor to be
Dear General with the greatest affection
your most obedient
humble Servant
B Lincoln

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To His Excellency
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